Our community is proud of this team earning the state's highest collective achievement. Their success this season is a tribute to their high level of commitment, one that I am sure they will continue to display in all aspects of their lives.

Go Eagles!

IN HONOR OF THE 2013 LITERACY COUNCIL OF NORTHERN VIR-GINIA AWARD RECIPIENTS

## HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, June 27, 2013

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the recipients of the 2013 Literary Council of Northern Virginia Community Partner Awards and Volunteer of the Year Awards. Founded in 1962, the Literary Council of Northern Virginia (LCNV) is a non-profit educational organization that recruits and trains volunteers to teach adults who need help reading, writing, speaking, and understanding the English language.

The mission of LCNV is to empower adults by providing a wide range of programs that teach the basic literacy skills needed in order to become self-sufficient and full participants in society. These programs include Basic Adult Literacy Tutoring, which works with adults who speak and understand English but are beginning readers and writers, and ESOL tutoring programs that teach reading, writing, listening comprehension, and speaking to those in our community for whom English is not their native language. In addition, LCNV offers two classroom programs: The ESOL Learning Center program, which serves low-income immigrant adults and teaches life skills important in the work place and community. and Family Learning Programs, which teach English proficiency to parents while their children participate in separate literacy-related activities.

Over the course of the last 50 years, thousands of people and families have been helped through LCNV programs. This would not have been possible without the dedication and community partners. It is my great honor to recognize the following recipients of the 2013 Literacy Council of Northern Virginia Awards:

Recipients of the Community Partners Awards: Acumen Solutions, City of Alexandria, and the Meyer Foundation.

Recipients of the Volunteer of the Year Awards: Susan Kral, Anne Spear, Audrey Lipps, and Mark Troppe.

This year, LCNV learners were invited to submit writings around the theme for this year's Annual Recognition Event: "New Beginnings." Learners worked with tutors, teachers, and classmates to formulate ideas, construct drafts, edit, and polish their writing in order to create final products that were published in LCNV's annual report. I commend each of the learners who submitted a writing and congratulate them on the incredible progress that they have made.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing the contributions of the Literacy Council of Northern Virginia and in congratulating each of the 2013 Award Recipients. Their dedication, hard work, and commit-

ment improves the quality of life for the students, as well as the community, by providing program participants with the life skills that are necessary to become active and productive members of society.

RECOGNIZING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2013 TOWN OF DUMFRIES VOLUNTEER AWARDS

## HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 27, 2013

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the recipients of the 2013 Town of Dumfries Volunteer Awards.

The Town of Dumfries was chartered on May 11, 1749, by the Virginia General Assembly, eventually becoming Virginia's oldest continuously chartered town. The Town covers a land area of 1.6 square miles in eastern Prince William County, and it is located 31 miles southwest of Washington, D.C. Dumfries served as a busy tobacco port for the Virginia Colony during the 17th and 18th centuries until the onset of the American Revolution. Today, more than 4,900 residents call the Town of Dumfries home. Several of these residents have volunteered their time and energy over the past year to help the town government organize a wide variety of activities and events, and the work of these volunteers deserves recognition.

It is my honor to submit the names of the 2013 Town of Dumfries Volunteer Awards honorees:

Volunteer of the Year Award: Sonia Hoehn. Spirit of Community Service Award: Melonie Bennett.

Partner in Community Service Award: Pillar Church.

Community Hero Award: Dumfries-Triangle Rescue Squad.

Friend to the Community Award: Quantico Marine Corps Band.

UnSung Hero Award: William O'Kelly Russell

Further, it is my honor to submit the names of the volunteers for the Town of Dumfries:

Joann Baron, Richard Bell, Jill Borak, Ericka Bridges, Nigel A. Clay, Lakesha Clements, Danny Cosner, Gina Critchley, Matt Critchley, Derek Ester, Carmella Foreman, Michael Futrell, Ana Garcia, Colby Garman of Pillar Church, Gunnery Sergeant Kevin A. Glave of the Quantico Marine Corps Band, Dr. Amy Goodwine, Becky Guy, Bill Hoehn, Teriyaki Jefferson, Jen Jones, Persephone Jones of Brownie Troop 5894, Uriah Kiser, Marc Lamelin, Sandra Lamelin, Carrie M. Lee, Meredith Lopez, Lisa Manion, Michael McDonald, Tishami Clay McDonald, Ed McGlothlin, Mike, Selonia Miles, Lisa Miller of Cub Scout Pack 176, Shawn Miller of Cub Scout Pack 176. Nehemiah Neville-Majeed, William Noaker, Mr. Pack, Nicole Pack, Kristina Padberg, Mary Padberg, Thomasina Perkins-Washington, Paul Peterson, Bruce Potter, Potomac Senior High School NJROTC, Bob Price, Chase Rivers of DMV Dynasty, Pequitte Schwerin, Mike Sheperd, Pete Singh, Sue Stalder, Kayla Straub, Terry Swirchak, Liletta Thompson, Eileen Thrall, Danya Tolpolcai, John Tolpolcai, Penny Toney, Sharon Turner, Glenn Vickers, James Vincent, Gary West, Kenya Whitener, Raymond Williams Sr., Ronald Wilson.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in thanking the volunteers for the Town of Dumfries and in congratulating our award recipients. These volunteers appreciate the value of community action and work tirelessly to support the long-standing civic mission of the Town of Dumfries.

RECOGNIZING THE EDEN PRAIRIE BOYS GOLF TEAM ON STATE TITLE

## HON. ERIK PAULSEN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 27, 2013

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the Eden Prairie Boys golf team for winning the 2013 Boys Minnesota State High School Golf Championship. Their efforts were nothing short of excellent and their victory was earned through hard work and commitment.

The boys team worked hard to improve their skills throughout the season. The winning 10-foot putt was sunk by junior Zach Peters, allowing the Eagles to win over the defending state champion by a single point, truly marking the Eden Prairie team as worthy champions. Together, this team has exemplified perseverance and dedication.

I would also like to commend the coaches for leading this Eagles squad to the state title. This is the first time the Eagles have secured the state title since their initial championship in 1999, and Head Coach Ty Armstrong has promised the team that they can throw him into a pond to celebrate.

It is a noteworthy achievement to win a state championship title, and the team members and coaches of the Eden Prairie boy's golf team should be proud. They set a great example to fellow students and athletes. Congratulations to these student athletes, their parents, and the coaches. Go Eagles!

SUPPORT EUROPE/EURASIA ENERGY SECURITY AND HELP STRENGTHEN OUR STRATEGIC ALLIANCES—THE SOUTHERN GAS CORRIDOR RESOLUTION

## HON. MICHAEL R. TURNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, June 27, 2013

Mr. TURNER. Mr. Speaker, as Chairman of the U.S. Delegation to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Parliamentary Assembly, I am introducing a bipartisan resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that it is in our national interest to support and enhance Europe's energy security through opening of the Southern Gas Corridor.

Many of our allies in Europe are heavily dependent on natural gas supplies from one country or from unstable regions. For example, several European countries have experienced natural gas supply disruptions from Russia, the largest supplier of natural gas to Europe, over various disputes. In addition, Turkey relies on Iran for 20 percent of its natural gas imports. And earlier this year, Islamist